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South Africa:* draft resolution

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The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 54/205 of 22 December 1999, 56/186 of 21 December 2001 and 57/244 of 20 December 2002, and recalling also its resolutions 58/205 of 23 December 2003, 59/242 of 22 December 2004 and 60/207 of 22 December 2005 on preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin,

Welcoming the entry into force on 14 December 2005 of the United Nations Convention against Corruption,[1]

Welcoming also the convening of the first session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption in Jordan from 10 to 14 December 2006,

Reiterating its invitation to all Member States and competent regional economic integration organizations within the limits of their competence to ratify or accede to and fully implement the United Nations Convention against Corruption as soon as possible,

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* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

[1] Resolution 58/4, annex.

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1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General;[2]

2. *Welcomes* the generous offer of the Government of Indonesia to host the second session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption in 2007;

3. *Reaffirms* the commitment to make the fight against corruption a priority at all levels, and welcomes all actions taken in this regard at the national and international levels, including the adoption of policies that emphasize accountability, transparent public sector management and corporate responsibility and accountability, including efforts to return assets transferred through corruption, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption;[1]

4. *Welcomes* the actions by the private sector, at both the international and the national levels, including small and large companies and transnational corporations, to remain fully engaged in the fight against corruption, calls upon the private sector to continue to make efforts in this regard, takes note with appreciation of the work undertaken by the Global Compact in its consideration of its tenth principle, on anti-corruption, and emphasizes the need for all relevant stakeholders to continue to promote corporate responsibility and accountability;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-second session a report on the implementation of previous resolutions and to elaborate further on the magnitude of corruption at all levels, including the scale of the transfer of assets of illicit origin derived from corruption and the impact of corruption and such transfers on economic growth and sustainable development, as well the outcome of the first session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption, and decides to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-second session, under the item entitled "Globalization and interdependence", a sub-item entitled "Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets, in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption".

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[2] A/61/177.